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29 April 1970

TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT : NPIC

1. The NSCID stipulates that the Director NPIC shall be designated by the DCI and have the concurrence of SecDef.
2. There is no "legislation" covering the Deputy. Allen Dulles offered the post to the military following NSC decision in 1961 to award NPIC to CIA as Executive Agent. A response from General  said that the DOD would rotate the post amongst the services.
3. If the tradition of the military Deputy is to continue, the procedure governing the Director's designation should obtain; that is, the Agency should have the right to be consulted and to concur or non-concur.
4. On the question of whether or not to maintain the tradition of the military Deputy, the burden would be on the Agency to show cause for discontinuance. This would be most difficult.
5. Because of this difficulty and because of DIA/DOD views of the importance of NPIC, the posting of a military Deputy there is likely to continue.
6. The Agency, therefore, should begin to:
  - a. Lay the groundwork to insure close CIA-DIA consultation in advance of the Deputy's designation; and
  - b. Outline the job to be done by the Deputy within the Center and arrange it so that he contributes and is

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challenged and is integrated and subordinated within the CIA organization. He should not be considered as a DOD agent operating under instructions from a remote contingent in DOD.

7. There needs to be more consultation, in general, between DDI, Director, DIA and D/NPIC about NPIC, its problems and its outlook. I suggest a session be scheduled soon to discuss a few issues, including asking for more information on the man designated to be the next NPIC Deputy.

8. I think it would be helpful also to ask the DCI to take [redacted] aside, perhaps at an early USIB meeting, and state his awareness of an internal concern over the procedures employed in designating senior DIA assignees for duty in NPIC and his hope that you and [redacted] can reach an accord on how to handle this matter.

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